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3. Request for Acknowledgement of Certified Priority Document;
4. Copy of transmittal letter filed on July 7, 2005, along with a copy of the cover page of Certified Copy of Priority Document JP 2003-021669 and return receipt postcard date-stamped by the USPTO acknowledging receipt of same; and
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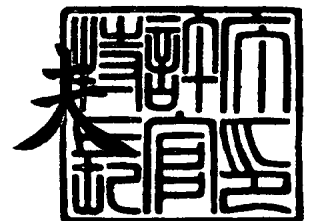
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